On motion, the report was received and adopted.

NUMBER TWO

Ald. Boyd, chairman of Number Two Committee, submitted reports as follows :

Your Committee beg leave to report—

1st. Having passed the Commissioner's pay roll	$209 25
H. M. Douglass, carting stones	15 50
	$224 75

2nd. Your Committee ask power to co-operate with the committee of the County Council, to call for tenders for the rebuilding of Clarke's Bridge.

Received and considered *seriatim*

First clause read and adopted.

Second clause read.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Macbeth, seconded by Ald. Buckle, that the clause be struck out. Lost. Clause adopted.

Ald. Pritchard moved and Ald. Boyd seconded, that No. 1 Committee consider and report upon the advisability of passing a by-law for closing that portion of Mill street west of Talbot, and to dispose of the said property. Carried.

Council adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, March 3rd, 1882

The Board of Aldermen met last night in the Council Room, His Worship in the chair, present, Ald. Pritchard, Hunt, Birrell, Murray, Hyman, O'Meara, Jones, Taylor, Skinner, Beattie, Ferguson, Higgins, Browne, Minhinnick, Crawford, Boyd, Becher, Peel, Buckle, Macbeth.

The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed, and the Clerk read the following

COMMUNICATIONS :

A petition from Mr. C. W. Kent, with reference to the fire by-law case. Laid over.

Henry Taylor and thirteen others—A petition requesting the drainage of Oxford street, lying between George and Richmond streets. No. 2 with power.

Alex S. Abbott, Returning Officer—Official return of vote on frontage tax by-law. Votes cast, for, 57; against, 754. Majority against the by-law, 697. Filed.

Wm. McGeary, Secretary—Asking use of the City Hall, on behalf of the Cigar Makers' Union No. 19, for Wednesday evening, April 19. Granted on usual terms.

John Stevens—Asking a reduction of rent for market stall leased by him. No. Three.

Wm. Gartshore, Captain—Asking the use of the City Hall for the evening of April 19th, to hold the annual assembly of No. 5 Company, 7th Fusileers. Granted.

Samuel Manners and eleven others—Petition respecting an open sewer running between Pall Mall and Piccadilly streets. No. 2.

James Crawford and others—Petition asking that Waterloo street be graded between Central and Dufferin avenues. No. 2.

P. Cook—Asking reduction of rent of market stalls. No 3.

ACCOUNTS.

Jas. I. Anderson & Co., ink, etc., $2 20; William Williams, posting bills, $33 75; John Cameron & Co., printing, $151.30; M. D. Dawson & Co., $48 50. No. 1.

THE LONDON JUNCTION.

The following application was read :

To the Corporation of the city of London:

We, the undersigned, agree that if you will give the consent and agreement mentioned in the Act passed in the last session of the Legislature of Ontario, entitled "An Act to incorporate the London Junction Railway Company," we will at any time within——— —from this date accept a lease of the London and Port Stanley Railway for the unexpired term of the present lease thereof thereby reserved and under the same convenants and provisions, so far as the same may be applicable, as are contained in the said lease, and also upon such lease being given to assume, and pay the amount of compensation which shall be awarded to the Great Western Railway Company under the provisions of the said Act. And we also agree in the event of the said lease being granted to us at any time when required so to do to give the Great Western Railway Company, the Grand Trunk Railway Company, the Credit Valley Railway Company, and any other railway company which may at any time thereafter be able by means of the London and Port Stanley Railway to obtain access to or an outlet from the City of London running powers over the London and Port Stanley Railway Company, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between us and the said respective Companies, or, if we cannot agree upon the terms upon such terms as may be settled by an arbitrator appointed by the City Council of London. Signed.

Andrew Cleghorn, John Campbell, J. Labatt, M. Masuret & Co., Macfie, Lind & Co., Marshall & Gouinlock, L. C. Leonard, J. B. Laing, Robinson, Little & Co., John McClary, Boyd, Watson & Co., John Green & Co., Geo. Jackson, Benj. Cronyn.

London. March 29th, 1882.

On motion, a deputation was heard in relation to the communication.

Mr. McClary said there could be no division of opinion about the necessity of improving the railroad facilities. He did not come to speak, but he hoped that the Council would assent to annul the lease with the G. W. R.

Mr. Laing thought the G. W. R. had made a good bargain. There was but one opinion among the mercantile men, and that was that any Company could be sure of a good thing if they could get the L. & P. S. R. off the hands of the G. W. R. He thought London should be in as good